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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUCHAREST 3556

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SHUM, PINT, CSCE, RO
SUBJ: ROMANIAN DISSIDENTS: GOMA
REF: BUCHAREST 3331 AND 3400

1. EMBOFFS MAY 16 RECEIVED FOLLOWING INFORMATION RELATING
TO DISSIDENT ROMANIAN AUTHOR PAUL GOMA. IT COMES FROM
MRS. GOMA AS TOLD TO A FAMILY FRIEND AND RELAYED VIA THIRD
PARTY WHO KNOWS BOTH.

2. REPORTEDLY, MRS. GOMA AND HER FATHER WERE CALLED
SOMETIME DURING FIRST WEEK OF MAY TO OFFICE OF MINISTER
OF INTERIOR COMAN. THERE HER HUSBAND WAS PERSONALLY
TURNED OVER TO HER BY THE MINISTER. GOMA IS CURRENTLY
RECUPERATING FROM HIS IMPRISONMENT. HE WAS APPARENTLY
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BEATEN INITIALLY, BUT LATER TREATED FAIRLY WELL.
TOWARDS END OF HIS CONFINEMENT, HOWEVER, HE IS SAID TO
HAVE SUFFERED WHAT WAS APPARENTLY A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN,
INCLUDING PARTIAL, BUT LIKELY TEMPORARY PARALYSIS. HE
WAS GIVEN MEDICAL TREATMENT AND CONFINED TO BED. WHEN
RELEASED, HE WAS HEAVILY DRUGGED. DURING CONFINEMENT
HE WAS THREATENED WITH VARIETY OF CHARGES, INCLUDING

HOMOSEXUALITY AND MEMBERSHIP OR ASSOCIATION WITH IRON GUARD. LATTER CHARGE WAS DROPPED WHEN SECURITATE REALIZED GOMA'S WIFE WAS JEWISH.

3. INTERESTINGLY, GOMA APPARENTLY BELIEVES THAT ROMANIAN AUTHORITIES THEMSELVES SOMEHOW CONVEYED NEWS OF HIS RELEASE TO RFE SINCE NEITHER HE NOR HIS WIFE HAD COMMUNICATED THIS TO ANYONE PRIOR TO RFE'S BROADCAST OF THE INFORMATION. (COMMENT: EMBASSY HAS NOT YET RECEIVED RFE BROADCAST SCRIPT ANNOUNCING GOMA'S RELEASE. WE WOULD APPRECIATE AMCONGEN MUNICH INQUIRING AS TO HOW AND WHEN INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED.)

4. GOMA IS PRESENTLY UNDER HEAVY SURVEILLANCE. GOR OBVIOUSLY INTENDS TO KEEP HIM ISOLATED FOR TIME BEING. HIS PHONE DOES NOT WORK AND HIS WIFE WAS NOT PERMITTED TO MAKE CALL FROM PUBLIC TELEPHONE BOOTH. SHE HAD TO REQUEST PERMISSION TO SEE FAMILY FRIEND NOTED ABOVE WHO WILL SOON DEPART COUNTRY PERMANENTLY FOR ISRAEL.

5. AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, MAY 8 AMNESTY WAS APPARENTLY NOT REASON FOR GOMA'S RELEASE. GOMA HIMSELF IS SAID TO ASCRIBE IT TO CONTINUOUS PARIS DEMONSTRATIONS ON HIS BEHALF. APPARENTLY NEITHER AUTHORITIES NOR GOMA DISCUSSED HIS LEAVING THE COUNTRY AS PRECONDITION FOR HIS RELEASE. HOWEVER, MRS. GOMA BELIEVES THAT SHOULD AN INVITATION BE RECEIVED REQUESTING GOMA'S PRESENCE AT SOME LITERARY OR NON-CONTROVERSIAL FOREIGN EVENT, ROMANIAN AUTHORITIES WOULD PERMIT THEM TO LEAVE COUNTRY ON UNDERSTANDING THAT

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THEY NOT RETURN. (COMMENT: THESE ARE PRECISELY THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH GOMA LEFT ROMANIA IN 1972.)

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